**FPI proposal of Tripura**

3224. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the proposals of Food Processing put forward to the Central Government by the Tripura Government which are pending, uptil now;

(b) the reasons for not according sanction in respect of many of the schemes; and

(c) by when the cases will be fully funded?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI N.T.SHANMUGAM): (a) Forwarding of proposals by State Nodal Agencies is a continuous process. However, from the Ninth Plan period till now 22 proposals were forwarded by State Nodal Agency of Tripura.

(b) The Ministry of Food Processing Industries approves only such proposals which are technically feasible and financially viable.

(c) The Ministry releases the grant in instalments depending upon the progress. Generally, cases, of North East are eligible for 33.33% of cost of the machinery and technical civil works subject to a maximum of Rs. 75 lakhs. Under Technology mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture in the North East, higher ceiling of assistance is available. However, no project is fully funded by the Ministry.

**Assistance to FPIS in NER**

3225. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) how many food Processing Industrial Units are there in the North-Eastern States;

(b) the classification of the categories of these units;

(c) the names of the units in Tripura getting Central assistance and those not getting Central assistance as yet; and

(d) by when, every food Processing Industrial Units of Tripura will get the required assistance ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI NT. SHANMUGAM):(a) and (b) Food